

# 2008 Waterfowl Seasons and Rules



## RULES

**September 2008  
through  
January 2009**



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# **WATERFOWL SEASONS AND RULES 2008**

## **Including Common Snipe and American Coot**

### **September 2008 through January 2009**

#### **New for 2008**

- Canvasback Closed Statewide
- Scaup: October 25 - January 16, 2009 - Area 1.
- Scaup: November 1 - January 23, 2009 - Area 2.

#### **Key Dates in 2008:**

- Goose Season Area 1: October 4, 2008 – January 16, 2009.
- Goose Season Area 2: October 11 2008 – January 23, 2009.
- Duck Season Area 1: October 4, 2008 – January 16, 2009.
- Duck Season Area 2: October 11, 2008 – January 23, 2009.
- Special Youth Hunt: September 27 and 28, 2008.
- **Buy a Chance at a Super Hunt Tag, Help Pay for Access Yes!**
- Check out Hunt Planner Maps at our web site: <http://fishandgame.idaho.gov/ifwis/huntplanner/>

#### **Required:**

- **Federal Migratory Game Bird Harvest Information Program Validation.**
- **Federal Migratory Bird Stamp for all hunters 16 or older.**
- **Nontoxic shot.**

It is the responsibility of the hunter to become familiar with the rules that affect the hunt in which he or she is participating. This brochure provides seasons for waterfowl hunting, and it provides a summary of rules that govern waterfowl hunting in Idaho. For details about the rules, please refer to these links: Idaho Administrative Procedures Act, <http://adm.idaho.gov/adminrules/rules/idapa13/13index.htm>; Idaho Code <http://www3.idaho.gov/idstat/TOC/36FTOC.html>

# Idaho Fish and Game

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## For Information, Call or Write:

**Headquarters**.....**208-334-3700**  
P.O. Box 25, Boise, ID 83707

**Panhandle Region**.....**208-769-1414**  
2885 W. Kathleen Ave., Coeur d'Alene, ID 83815

**Clearwater Region** .....**208-799-5010**  
3316 - 16th Street, Lewiston, ID 83501

**Southwest Region**.....**208-465-8465**  
3101 S. Powerline Rd., Nampa, ID 83686

**McCall Subregion**.....**208-634-8137**  
555 Deinhard Ln., McCall, ID 83638

**Magic Valley Region**.....**208-324-4359**  
324 S. 417 E.; Suite #1, Jerome, ID 83338

**Southeast Region**.....**208-232-4703**  
1345 Barton Rd., Pocatello, ID 83204

**Upper Snake Region**.....**208-525-7290**  
4279 Commerce Circle, Idaho Falls, ID 83401

**Salmon Region** .....**208-756-2271**  
99 Hwy. 93 N., P.O. Box 1336, Salmon, ID 83467

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**Idaho Relay Service (TDD)** .....1-800-377-3529

Internet: ..... <http://fishandgame.idaho.gov>

To Receive Nonresident License Applications,

Call Toll Free: .....1-800-635-7820

*If you buy a nonresident license this year, you will automatically receive an application form for the following year. Applications will be mailed in November.*

## Other Information Numbers

- **Citizens Against Poaching; to report wildlife crimes:**  
**1-800-632-5999**
- Rules booklets, nonresident license applications:  
1-800-635-7820
- U. S. Forest Service – Boise National Forest:  
208-373-4007 or 1-888-246-7523
- Bureau of Land Management – Idaho Office:  
208-373-4007 or 1-888-246-7523.

## To Buy a License, Tag or Permit:

- In person, go to any Idaho Fish and Game office or license vendor throughout the state.
- By credit card, within the United States call 1-800-554-8685, 1-800-824-3729. Outside the U.S., use the Internet or mail.
- On the Internet, go online to <http://fishandgame.idaho.gov>. A service fee is added for this transaction.

# Getting Started

## To use this brochure:

- Pick the species and area you want to hunt, then refer to the section on that bird.
- Season and limit pages include maps of the two hunting areas of the state.
- For help in the process, try the online Hunt Planner at the Fish and Game Website <http://fishandgame.idaho.gov>.

Waterfowl hunting is split into two areas in Idaho. **Area 1** is the northern and eastern parts of the state. **Area 2** is the southwest corner of the state.

General seasons for waterfowl are set by these areas. Hunters should check to make sure which area includes the place they want to hunt. Goose seasons, limits and areas are on page 6, and ducks, common snipe and American coot seasons and limits are on page 7.

Waterfowl shooting hours are on pages 8 and 9.

Detailed rules and restrictions begin on page 14. License requirements and fees begin on page 25.

## Special Youth Waterfowl Hunting Days

Duck (including merganser), goose, snipe, and coot hunting open for two days only, on September 27 and 28, 2008, to hunters 15 and younger.

- Hunting license – **required**.
- Federal migratory game bird harvest information program validation – **required**.
- Federal migratory bird stamp – **not required**.
- Daily duck (including merganser), goose, snipe, and coot bag limits: Same limits statewide that are in effect during regular seasons.
- At least one adult 18 years or older with a valid hunting license, must accompany each youth hunting party into the field at all times. **Adults are not authorized to hunt.**
- All other state rules and federal regulations pertaining to the taking of migratory game birds are in effect for this hunt.

## What's New?

This year the Waterfowl Seasons and Rules brochure has been revised and rearranged to make it more user-friendly and hopefully to make more sense to first time Idaho hunters.

Please take a moment to look over the contents page for the new arrangement. All the information from the previous brochure is in here, but some things may be in a new location. All the seasons have been moved up, and the rules and fee sections have been moved to the back.